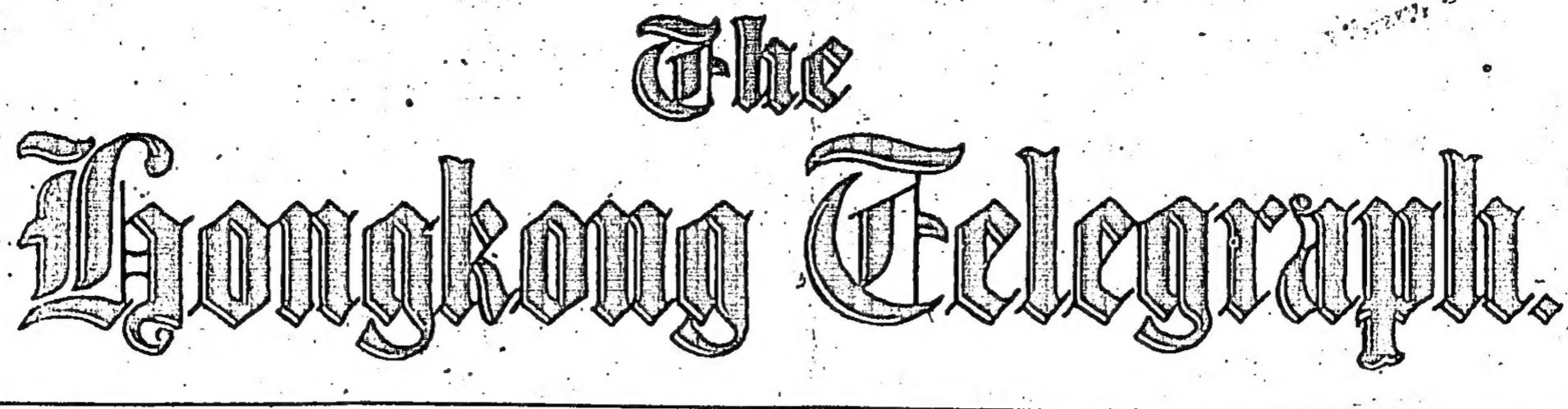
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PREMIERSHIP

SOCIALISTS TEND KEEP IN THE BACKGROUND

PARTIES SHORT OF ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

PARIS. NOV. 17. THE FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY TO-DAY PUBLICLY CLAIMED THE RIGHT TO PREMIERSHIP IN THE NEW FRENCH GOV-EKNMENT.

The claim, which was put forward in more general terms last week, was to-day made specifically in a letter addressed by the Communist Party to the National Council of Socialists which met in Paris to-day in private, to consider its position in relations to the formation of the new Government.

The letter says: "As you have had occasion to point out previously it is the right of the Party having the largest number of votes and scats to assume the premiership in the Government.

WELLES ATTACKS U.S.

TRUSTEESHIP STAND

radio address, to-day said Russia's stand on the international

trusteeship question has placed her in a strong moral position

while the United States' declaration of policy on former

Japanese mandated islands showed lack of enlightened moral

Former Under Secretary of State Mr Sumner Welles, in a.

"The Communist Party claims | The letter was couched in terms this responsibility, which has which left no possible doubt about been clearly assigned to it by in their favour the precedent already universal suffrage. created that one of the leaders, of

"If our two parties are in agreement it will be impossible for any- Assembly becomes the Prime Minisbody to counteract the will of the ter. electorate and to prevent the formation of a Government of the

seas territories, "of whom one can to embarrass the Socialists who, be assured that their votes will after their electoral defeat, Democracy," together are only one Communists and parties on their Sufficient Power

to exclude "any Republican col- tives to others,

The Communist letter proposes a firstly to ensure the formation of

He said the dispute of trusteeships

was the gravest development which

has so far appeared in the United

Nations' Assembly, meeting. The.

dispute had arisen from two

reasons: Firstly, failure of the

Great Powers to reach an agree-

ment before the end of the war upon

a basis for problems which could

not be settled save through their co-

Will Embarrass Socialists Harold King, Reuter's Diplomatic Democratic union presided over by | Correspondent in Paris, adds that the Communist Invitation for The letter points out that in the tete-a-tete before the multilateral new Assembly, the Communists and party negotiations for the new Socialists, with a number of over- Government get under way, is likely always conform to the interests at volving heavy losses-both to the of the island with Greece,-Reuter. vote short of an absolute majority. Right-appear more than ever in-

out that the Communist and Socialist | week ago political circles and the | village of Krikoukia, Grevena, in shocking aggression." Parties have sufficient power in the majority of the French press have western Macedonia. Assembly "to form a solid Re- expressed the belief that the The agency said several wounded cribed as the uprooting of whole per hour. publican majority for a government Communist claim to premiership is survivors of the Skra attack last populations in Eastern Europe, represided over by a most qualified purely a tactical manocurre and Thursday by a party of the ferring particularly to the expulrepresentative of the most im- that at the bottom the Communists "Zachariades Brigade" had been

joint meeting with the Socialists ago when they emerged as the single Many strongest Party for the first time, reported to nave died as "an undenominational Social Gov- but as the Independent newspaper result of torture.—United Press. ernment of Democratic Union" and Combat points out to-day, it would secondly to draw up the govern- be unwise to assume that it is again mental programme of "national their attitude this time. There are (Continued on Page 4)

Washington, Nov. 17.

Big Arms Cache In Greek Factory

Athens, Nov. 17. The police disclosed to-day and arms, including 200 machine- Catholic Welfare Conference. guns in perfect condition, was

factory warehouse, tory, claimed that he bought the road to real peace. material after approval from the Charging that agreements for War Ministry and that it was to be safeguarding the basic human rights Friday that Mr. Lewis, President used as raw material. However, have been violated unilaterally in the Ministry workers Federation, h officials said they were not satisfied some instances and fatal compromises rejected the proposal for a strike in the fact that the machine-guns as made in others, the statement conwell as the rifles were found to be tinual. Throughout the war the

ane Police termed Tzakas as a munisi.-United Press.

Greek Rebels' Swoop Athens, Nov. 18. Athens from Macedonia,

lage of Arkhangelos in the same area as Skra, many of whose inhabitants are alleged to have been was defence of native freedoms

killed in a previous attack. armed men Greek troops reoccupied has revealed that the victorious Skra but clashes were reported to be continuing around Mount Skra,-

Reuter. Rebel Stronghold Cleaned Up

Athens, Nov. 10. A rebel stronghold on Mount Ossa has' been cleaned up by a Greek Alpine brigade, according 'to the Greek news agency here to-night. About 100 rebels were put out of the largest single party in the action and 600 of them, pressed on all sides, surrendered.—Reuter.

Cypriots Cheered Athens, Nov. 16. A huge crowd outside Piracus parbour to-day cheered and chanted "We want union" when Bishop Leontios of Paphos, acting archbishop of Cyprus, arrived here to lead a delegation of Cypriots to London, where they intend to submit to the British Government a request for the union

Macedonia Engagement London, Nov. 17. clined to keep in the background . The Exchange Telegraph reported It continues that they do not wish and leave the compromising initia- | from Athens to-day that unofficial sources said 58 bandits had been laboration" but merely wish to point | Since the General Elections a killed in an engagement in the mental issues had led to "tolerance of

portant party in the National As- are not anxious to see their request | taken to Salonika where they said the Checho-Slovakia. bandits tortured them when they This was their attitude 13 months refused to embrace Communism. the wounded were Cyprus-Greece Union

> London, Nov. 17. The Cypriot delegation will remain in Athens until December 6 for its discussions of plans for the union of Cyprus with Greece, the Exchange just because they cannot subscribe Telegraph reported to-day. The ugency dispatch said the Cy-

priots had proto Cypriot organisations in Athens, suggesting that if approaches to the British Government were without result the question of Cyprus-Greece union should be -United Nations.—United Press.

Nehru And Wavell Disagreement?

New Dolhi, Nov. 17. Reliable political sources said head in the Vatican. this Government ence more has to-night that a disagreement Archbishop Milivojevich added falled to assert any enlightened had arisen between Viceroy Lord Wavell and Vice President against the Metropolitan of the of the Council Pandit Nehru Orthodox Church in Yugo-Slavia amendment to the King's speech, over the calling of the Constitu- which, the Radio said, was the told a meeting at Newcastle toent Assembly which is strongest religious group in Yugoscheduled to meet an December Shvin after the Catholic Church. are not going to vote any consure scheduled to meet on December __Reuter.

> The cources said, it was expected Viceroy returns from, a tour of the frontier Province.

It was understood that arrangements had been made to send invitainstructed his constitutional adviser probable trend of payments between not to finue the invitations just yet. | Switzerland and the sterling area Reliable sources sold Nehru had have now ended with an understanddispatched a long protest, to the ing on currency problems, the Trea-Viceroy-United Press.

Catholic Bishops Attack Soviet lotalitarianism

Washington, Nov. 17. Catholic bishops of the Unite States declared yesterday that Soviet totalitarianism is delaying peace and that the USSR is guilty of cruel violation of human rights.

The charge was made in a statement signed by members of the that 40,000 kilos of ammunition Administrative Board of the National

The statement asserted that until nations agree basically on the rights discovered in a Pircus engine of the dignity of men as individuals Marcoz Tzakas, owner of the fac- confusion and conflict which bloc the Lewis.

being pursued. Some arrests have freedoms against Nazi and Fascist totalitarianism. The aftermath of war has revealed victorious Soviet totalitarianism to be no less aggressive against these freedoms in the countries it occupied."

The bishops pleaded for the A new swoop by Greek mountain reputriation of enemy war prisoners, rebels and an all-night battle for an human treatment of displaced persons outpost were reported last night by and an end to the ruthless herding of Dimitri Vourdoumbas, Greek Under- uprooted people. They called on Secretary of War, on his return to the victors to continue relief work until the danger of widespread The clash occurred near the vil- starvation and dieses is gone .--

United Press. Throughout the war our batfleery against Nazi and Fascist totalitar-After a sharp fight with about 700 lanism. The aftermath of the war

SPAIN-PARIS EXPRESS DERAILED

. Paris, Nov. 17. The Paris Express from Hendaye, on the Spanish border, was derailed this afternoon several miles south of Bordenux in the second French rail

necident in a week. Reports from Bordenux stated that only-one-passenger-was seriously-injured though several suffered from

Eight carriages jumped the rails and both the down and up lines were blocked.-Reuter.

Soviet totalitarianism is no less aggressive against these freedoms in

the countries it has occupied," the statement says. The statement went on to say percemaking countries on funda-

sion of the Sudeten Germans by

"but in this transplantation of peoples we have perhaps unwittingly the car could be moved. allowed ourselves to be influenced by the herd theory of heartless totalitarian political philosophy. Reports of the deportation of thousands in the areas of Soviet aggression to remote and inhospitable regions. to Communism, tells of a cruel violation of human rights,"-United Press. Stepinae Trial

London, Nov. 17. Archbishop Dionysius Milivolevich, head of the Serbian Orthodov Church in the United States and Canada, stated in an interview that the trial of Mongignor Stepinac, Roman Catholic Archbishop Zagreb, was "frankly unjust and constitutes a direct attack by Russian Communism against the tradition of the Church," the Vatican

Radio reported to-day. The Radio also quoted the Orthodox Archbishop as saying that Monsignor Stepinge's trial was held in a political atmosphere and had

AGREEMENT.

London, Nov. 17. The Anglo-Swiss talks on the ury announced to-day. Reute-

WEST COAST SHIPPING STRIKE ENDS

San Francisco, Nov. 17. The 48-day-old West Coast shipping strike ended to-day when the strikers, operators and Government negotiating committee announced a tentative agreement had been reached on the disputes .- United Press.

Coal Strike Threat

Washington, Nov. 17. The United States Government, threatened with a coal strike on Thursday, to-day ordered that notices be posted at all 3,300 mines under its control notifying miners of its intention to "keep the mines open regardless of any action" taken there can be no way out of the by the miners' leader, Mr John L.

> President Truman announced truce between owners and miners and had notified the Government that he was terminating the Union's present wage contract with the Government at 5 a.m. GMT November 21. This meant a strike by 400,000 mine-workers.

The Government claimed that are likely to be fed. Mr Lewis' projected action was "illegal" and it was said yesterday that he would be liable to a year's Imprisonment, or a fine of \$5,000. or both, if he ordered his Union members out of pits.

materialised, it was stated, and plans | with the surplus. to expedite shipments during this month and the next would have to be scrapped.—Reuter.

Ancient Cars In Run To Brighton

London, Nov. 17. One hundred and thirty-sever old, to day rattled and swayed along the seventy miles of road from London to Brighton, on the south coast,

They were taking part in the first annual veteran car run to be held since 1938, but to-day they were also celebrating the fiftieth anniversary further the consumption of wheat of repeal of the law which compelled every car on the roads Britain to be preceded by a mun.

carrying a red flug of warning. cars got away to a good start, and they kept strictly to schedule worked out according to the age of the car and calling for average speeds ranging from ten to eighteen miles

Many of the cars, whose aggregate age totalled more than 0,000 years, have been found during the war. One which had stood in a field for "We boast of democracy," it said, | years, had a tree growing through it, which had to be cut down before

Another, built in 1903, was described as still capable of well over sixty-five miles per hour. Seventy-five finished the course

in a gole and heavy rain-conditions which proved too much for the rest of the competitors. Most cars were open models. Two of the oldest cars in run were a Leon Bollee and a Thornycroft steam car, both 1896 models, and they finished without mishap.-Reuter.

Censure Govt."

London, Nov. 17. On the eve of the British no other nim than to separate the House, of Commons debate Catholic Church in Croatia from its initiated by 58 Socialist members in criticism of the Government's was clearly evident that Marshal foreign policy Mr R. K. Zilliacus, are not going to vote any censure of the Government."

against the Government.

support of Foreign Minister Bevin, beauty aids, since the regulations. Some goods may be imported with-Mr Tom O'Brien, a Socialist mom- ban import of manieure sets, powder out licence—personal gifts and fority of Trade Unionists in Britain. plastic handbags and reincoats which

World Grain Hold-Up On Point Of Collapse?

ENCOURAGING FACTS ABOUT U.S., CANADIAN AND ARGENTINE CROPS

Condon, Nov. 17.

Sydney Gampbell, Renter's City Editor, who to-day asserted that the world grain hold-up is on the point of collapse, to-night backed up his claim with a detailed analysis of the grain position in the United States, Canada and Argentina.

The first fact, Mr Gampbell said, is that the United States export programme of 400 million bushels of all grain this season is officially described as the minimum.

Even so, the programme is! comparable with that of last Wayors Of German any other year in American history. About threequarters of it is still to come, but there is every reason for confidence that it will come and indeed now is coming far easier than last year. Secondly, United States official reports that total supply for feed for animals is the largest on record and could support more livestock than

Thirdly, the official forecast of a carry-over of 253 million bushels of wheat is more than Britain's total appeal to the Allied Occupation consumption for the whole year authorities 'not to let the and equals the average carry-over German people perish in famine of the decade 1932 to 1941 when and misery." Conl shipments to Europe would recurrent gluts led to recurrent interbe cut off immediately if the strike | national conferences on what to do

Winter Wheat Crop

winter wheat—the world's biggest ments of German provinces to do all single wheat crop-is in good to ex- in their power to alleviate their plight. cellent condition with vital moisture supply the best for several years. The United States Government announced this last Wednesday.

Fifthly, the Government, which has already bought more than half of all the wheat needed for its full season's exports up to June 1947, has been able to buy wheat twice as fast in the last three, weeks cars, each more than forty years | no during September and October. This is the most striking contrast to last season when the United States Government's purchases were constant arrears.

Sixthly, the phenomenal new maize crop, supplying cheaper animal food thun wheat, should lower still inside the United States, which before the maize crop had already dropped to about 15 per cent less than in the corresponding quarter Despite the cold morning, all the of last season. If so, there will be that much more wheat for export

Canadian Carry-over

But Canada, too, now has more wheat available for export and carry- to carry on their heavy and responover than she exported between sible work if the food supply remainthis date last year and the end of ed as irregullar and inadequate as at the season. She intends to raise the carry-over

to 85 million bushels, but may reconsider this which would be grossly only a carrot for brenkfast, having unbusinesslike on a falling market. Canada aligns her export prices to all countries, except Britain, with is the next fortnight, after those ruling in the United States. She | which the position is expected to is now getting 224 cents per bushel, improve, the British Commander-inwhile Chicago wheat for July delivery | Chief, Marshai of the Royal Air is quoted below 175 cents.

Also, contrary to popular impress- terday. ion, this year's carryover of 70 million bushels is not irreducible in the Ruhr than in Hamburg, ho minimum. In 1937 and 1938 the added,-Reuter. carry-overs were 37 and 25 million bushels, respectively.

The joker, however, may prove to that Argentina wants to sell and has security offices at Liverpool to-day. the grains to sell.—Reuter. —Reuter.

Cities Appeal To Allied Authorities

Hamburg, Nov. 17.

The mayors of larger towns in the British and United States zones of Germany, meeting at Stuttgart, have sent an urgent

The mayors urged the Allied authorities to review the economic life by stopping coal exports from Germany, by importing food and raw materials' and by granting relief Fourthly, the American crop of credits. They also urged the govern-

"The misery in German towns is threatening whole sections of the population with extinction," the mayors said in their appeal. "Our totally inadequate rations are not even

The grain position in the British zone remained roughly the same over the week-end with officials still standing by for new shipments from America and Russian zone of Germany, to augment the present loade-

quate supply. - Figures for grain - stocks - in the Ruhr were not available to-day but the intest stati ties inhowed that the North Rhine-Westphalia province, of which the Ruhr forms part, had roughly enough grain to

last for two days. Officials stated there were no disturbances in the Ruhr over the weekend and no trouble was anticipated unless the situation became very

This stalement was reasouring after the "no food, no work" resolution adopted by 170 German engine drivers and railway firemen at Wuppertal yesterday. They declared that they would be unable

German trade union circles said from last season's 70 million bushels that some of the railwaymen had gone to work one morning with no bread left in their homes.

The crucial period for Germans Force Sir Sholto Douglas, said yes-

The food crisis was mor-

Liverpool, Nov. 17. After 14 hours of the strictest be Argentina. There are strong in- examination afforded to troops dications that within the next very arriving in Britain from overseas, few weeks the world will be remind- the last contingent of General ed that Argentina is normally the Anders' Polish Army to come from world's biggest exporter of grain and Italy were cleared through military

CHINESE BAN ON MOTOR CAR IMPORTS

Nanking, Nov. 18. New export and import regulations effective to-day banned the import into China of automobiles with seven passenger capacity or less whose net fob price to the dealer exceeds US\$1,200.

Ans was also banned. Prime Minister Attlee will speak | Women will have to search for clous and temi-precious stones. In the debate to ensure the strongest local products to replace imported "Wo do not want an 'affaire are currently in fartion, real m

He did not say if any, of the importation of asparagus, sumaware, decorative or aranmental signatories to the amendment would abalone, birds nests, caviare, big- materials or products, imitation gold that the matter would be discussed ANGLO-SWISS MONETARY signatories to the amendment would be discussed and silver thread on cotton, imitation so Wadnesday of Wadnesday of Wadnesday of Wadnesday of State of Sta gold or silver thread on silk, pro-

Some goods may be imported withtions to members of the Constituent operation of the monetary agreement ber, said to-day that "the dastardly pulls, combs, brushes, knitted -tik, samples without commercial value, Agreembly but ford Wavelt had between the two countries and the attack on Mr Bevin" was bitterly silk, rayon, perfumes and cosmetics. provided the value of such goods resented by an overwhelming ma- |. Other items banned included does not exceed US\$50 and are not intended for sale, However, the exemption does not

'Vallaco' in Britain," he said - cultured pearls, curios, antiques, apply to goods whose import is lacquerware, damascenaware, sat- banned.-United Press.

living in mandated territories,

leadership.

"The exceedingly serious situation with which we now are confronted arises from the fact that moral leadership with regard to the issues which arises," Mr Welles

operation, and, secondly, the chap-ter of the United Nations Charter ese mandated islands in the Pacific dealing with trusteeships constituted will meet with Russian opposition, 9. a badly and vaguely written com- and concluded: "Until trusteeship promise which left unsettled many agreements are approved by the problems which could for more Assembly, an international trusteereadily be solved then than now. ship council cannot be set up. In Mr Welles said he believed what such an event, the United Nations clearly was intended by the United can exercise no control whatever Nations was the establishment with- over the world's dependent peoples. out any delay whatever of an inter- The peoples involved thus are prenational trusteeship system, of an vented from having any present international trusteeship council and hope of international guarantee for early assumption by the United their eventual freedom or of any Nations through those agencies of assurance that their welfare will be full responsibility for the welfare of safeguarded. Under such conditions all the millions of dependent peoples | the maintenance of world peace is gravely threatened."-United Press."



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LANCASHIRE NEWSLETTER

(By T. Weilding)

The five-day working week for benefit more than 230,000 operatives will come into force on December 20, The United Textile Factory Workers' Assohours.

This latest concession will be a within a group. boon to the workers, most of whom at home from Friday evening until | tion." Monday, morning.

member of the Stalybridge Town lately. He has just returned from Moscow after completing a deal for lion) worth of Russian cotton, Very few people knew the secret of his

Dangerous Buildings caused by the collapse of bomb- been built up between County Re- of any apologies. damaged buildings in the city, the giments and Counties were broken Liverpool City Council has approved and to preserve it there will be a scheme to speed up demolition of a small Regimental Depot Party at dangerous buildings. In the mean- each of the County Primary Traintime, steps are to be taken to fence ing Centres. Besides keeping conderelict houses and other premises tact with the Territorial Army and to prevent children getting into them. the civil side of the County, they It is estimated there are more than will look after the colours and 10,000 buildings in the City in a property of Battalions in "susdangerous' condition. 'House, build- pended animation." This reorganisaing in most of the larger cities and tion is to be started almost imtowns in Lancasatre "is on the in- mediately. crease. In the Merseyside big progress has been made, and since the first month of peace (Sept. 1, 1945), ed the new compact city would have Liverpool has completed 135 permanent houses, 620 pre-fabricated houses, and has restored 206 bombdamaged houses. Bootle has put up 425 pre-fabs, Birkenhead 337, Wallasey 72, Crosby 68 and Bobington 27. In addition private builders have any of the 300 cinemas, so that the completed a total of 351 houses in

the six districts. Armstrongs. The Ministry of Supply, can attend the service. directly responsible for the produc- | Eccles is to spend £1,195,787 on tion of these houses, is niming at a building 974 hours and 30 bungalows national production rate by the peak between 1947-49. period next February of 1,200 nluminium houses a week. Each of the the Fast Lance Tarritorial Army and five factories is expected to construct Air Force Association, who has been a new house every twelve minutes, associated with the voluntary armed Amalramation?

There is a distinct possibility that make room for a younger man. Manchester and Salford will amalga- | Councillor Hugh Lee, Lord Mayor ma.e. The latest move has come of Manchesler, at a colourful cerefrom Alderman J. Park, a former mony, presented the Freedom of the Mayor of Salford, and the sugges- City to the Manchester Regiment, tion has been well supported in both, Agreement has been reached for proach will be made to the Boun- from the British Government. The dary Commission. If accomplish- price has not been fixed.

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REORGANISATION OF INFANTRY REGIMENTS

The Army Council has decided that the old system of Infantry Regiments having one Rethe cotton industry which will gular Battalion always at home and one overgens is too rigid for modern conditions.

In order to gain the required flexibility without sacrificing deep-rooted Regimental traditions it has ciation had asked for a 43% been decided to form fifteen groups hour week as a first step to- of Regiments with territorial or ward one of 40 hours, and a will be a self-contained Corps, and compromise was reached by fix- although every battalion and regiing the working week at 45 ment will retain its separate identity, officers and men will be liable to transfer from one to another

In these days of armoured and are women, for it will mean that for Airborne Divisions, we shall not the first time in the history of need so many. Regular Battalions the trade there will be no as before the war. Reduction will work on Saturday morning. Thou- be made by introducing a system of suspended animation, which to leave their young children in mill means that a battalion will be renurseries, often until Saturday even- legated to reserve for a time and fixed is a question to which ing, because after finishing work at will have no officers or men on the nobody seems able to give a mid-day the afternoon has had to be strength. Each Battalion will in spent rushing around to do their turn do a period of foreign serweek's shopping. Now they will be vice, then period at home followed able to have their children with them by a period of "suspended anima-

a population of more than 750,000

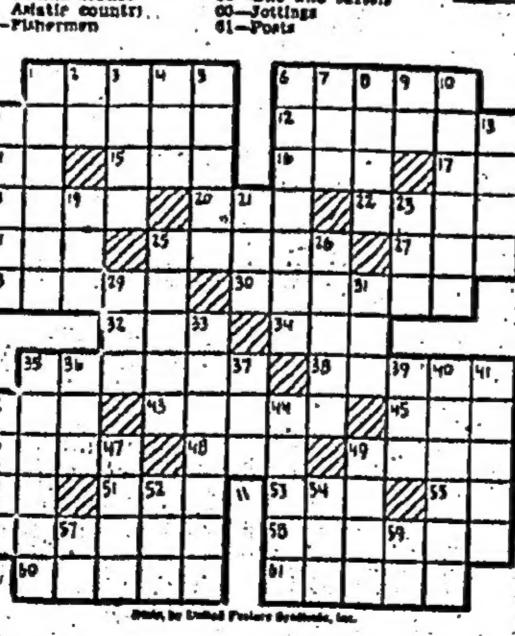
Manchester will be a city without entertainments on Christmas day it having been agreed not to open staffs can have a hollday.

Councillor G. Wilson, mayor-elect of Morecambe, is being bitterly at-Blackpool has become a big centre tacked by the town clergy because for the manufacture of aluminium he has chosen a music-hall instead houses costing £1,000 cach. They of a church for the mayoral service. are being turned out at the Squires Councillor Wilson chose a music-hall Gate Airport Works by Vickers because a greater number of people

Col Sir Wm' Coates, chairman of forces for 60 years, has resigned to

ANSWER TO

NO CHOMITATION -Old Testament 3-Dismarck's Gret



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This Freedom" For The Regiment

(By Richard Elley)

TO dispel illusions: The Honorary Freedom of a city conferred on a regiment does not mean that members of the regiment get free beer or cinema tickets or immunity from arrest or rate-collectors.

What it does mean is that the city has conferred on the regiment the highest bonour that a city or borough can bestow on anyone under the terms of Local Government Acts which allow councils to admit to Honorary Freedom persons of distinction or persons who have rendered eminent service to the borough.

Freedom entitles a regiment to which should serve as a warning to march through the town which given. has honoured it with band playing, flags flying and bayonets that it establishes or strengthens one nobody seems able to give a which sometimes, especially in war, definite answer; not even custom suddenly become surprisingly congives a hard and fast ruling.

the City of London in this way and units. Organisation of the Infantry probably this privilege originated in training establishments is also to be the 17th Century when the Lord brought into line with the new Mayor's permission was obtained to THE actual ceremony of the within the jurisdiction of no civil Council and owner of a cotton mill policy. County Primary Training recruit in the City and recruiting-was L bestown makes a big day for in the town, has been page one news | Centres are to be formed at an pre- done by marching through with flags both town and regiment. Local war regimental Depots and men flying, drums beating and bayoners notables who have not worn uniform called up to the Army will general- fixed to attract attention. But Lon- since 1919 suddenly appear in tunies the purchase of £1,000,000 (a mil- ly receive six weeks basic training don, where the Lord Mayor takes that have grown too light or too at the P T C in their home county. precedence over everyone except the loose, with stiff breeches and highly When a recruit for Infantry has Sovereign in his own City limits, is polished leggings and Sam Brownes. mission to Moscow, where he was finished his basic training he will different. In 1769 a Guards detach- The Lord Lieutenant and Deputysent by the Cotton Centrel to nego- pass to Infantry training centre for ment marched through the City with- Lieutenants turn out in khaki with thate this deal. It is thought in the specialised instruction in Infantry out getting permission and the Lord their shiny badges of rank. The trade that one effect of the deal will weapons, tactics, etc. There will be Mayor protested; the Scereiary-at Town Clerk puts on wig and gown. be steady prices for the huge quan- an ITC to serve each group of Regi- War promised it should not happen Aldermen don their best, red robes titles which Lancashire must con- ments and they will be organised again and that the officer responsible and cocked hats. The Yown Sergeant tinue to only from America, India, on the basis of one regimental train- "shall have my opinion." There is no and the Mace Bearer and other taypt and Empire countries. ing company for each Regiment in record of any other town ever having municipal funkcys become resplendthe group. It would be a great protested over an incident which ent in blue and red and gold with Following the recent Tatalities loss if the -close link which has must have happened many times, nor medals shining on their breasts.

> COME local government authorities believe they have the right to grant this privilege, however. The Town Clerk of Bodmin, which gave its Freedom to the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, says "It is generally considered that the granting of such honour entitles the Regiment to and the Colonel of the Regiment, march through the town with bayonets fixed."

A similar opinion is mantained by Lichfield, which granted the 10th distinction" of marching through the city with bands playing, colours flyprerogative, with the omission of the words "right" and "title" to the cases, however, is the word "Freedom" mentioned in connection with the ceremony.

recently granted the Honorary attendance. Freedom to the Cambridgeshire Regiment without any mention of rights of that kind, the Town Clerk's comment being: "Who is to the King's men from marching through the town with bayonets fixed? Our policemen?"

EGAL or customary, unofficial or unprecedented, once a municipality considers it has given a regiment the right to march through its streets with bayonets fixed, likes to see the regiment doing i When the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, who had accepted the through the town without bayonets | W. giment received the Honorary fixed and the rest, the Council im- Freedom of Cambridge, circum-

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Whether or not the Honorary vantage of their privilege in future,

The significance of the honour of those nebulous bonds, like affilia-tion between ships and regiments, crete. Many soldiers and sailors have benefitted materially from the Certain units may march through fact that towns have "adopted" their

In the Council Chamber there is scurrying and some heart-burning as the ladies invited to the ceremony sort themselves out into those who are to sit in the gallery and the privileged few who will sit in th

the Mayor has taken his (or her) seat, flanked by the Lord Lieutenant the Town Clerk reads the motion to confer the honour. It is proposed and seconded by senior members of the the action of the City and County of Council and duly carried unanimously., If it is a Freedom, the Colones of Replacement Depot, US Army, 'the the Regiment signs the Roll of Free-"right, title, privilege, honour and men and the special meeting of the Council is over.

ing and bayonets fixed, and that of for the more public side of the an epidemic stage comparable with Colchester which gave the same event are in full swing. On the 1030-40. town square a colour-party of the regiment is forming up, backed by sloner with the Department of Agri-Essex Regiment. In neither of these representatives of the battalions ex- culture, Victoria, made this report Servicemen with medals on their recently. jackets, Home Guards and members | West Summerland has naked for of affiliated units of the Army Cadet | compulsory vaccination of horses. Force. The town band and any There are a number of cases at On the other hand, Cambridge available regimental bands are in Kamloops, Merritt, Ashcroit, Cunton

The Mayor or the Colonel of the Dr Gunn urged horse owners to Regiment reads the resolution that vaccinate against the disease, not only has just been passed by the Council; to protect their horses but also to a protect human beings. In the last the Mayor hands the Colonel easket containing the Deed of outbreak, several cases of humans Freedom; there are speeches em- contracting it were reported, and in phasising the links between the one case the patient died. town and the regiment; perhaps there is a hymn and a blessing by the Bishop of the Dioceso or the human side there was nothing lackregimental chaplain; then bayonets ing. are fixed, a band strikes up and the regiment marenes past the Mayor.

honour from Inniskilling, marched When the Cambridgeshire Remediately sent a strong protest and stances had shorn the ceremony of a request that they should take ad- some of its trappings, but on the

WHEN SOLDIERS

ARE TRIED BY

CIVIL COURTS

Important information about

the trial of soldiers by civil

courts or courts-martial was

furnished in the House of Com-

mons recently by the Secretary

of State for War (Mr Bellenger) .

in answer to a question from Mr

Hector Hughes, who asked if he

would take steps to ensure that

in peace time soldiers accused

of offences other than military

offences shall be tried by civil

courts with the consequent right

Mr. Bellenger, replying said: "The

existing law and practice salready

ensure this to a very large extent.

The provise to Section 41 of the

Army Act requires that certain major

must be tried by a civil court if the

offence is committed in the United

Kingdom. If one of these offences is committed by a soldier in peace-

time overseas, trial must be by civil

"In the case of other criminal of-

court, the civil courts and, courts-

martial have concurrent jurisdiction.

already been issued to ensure ' that

such offences, if committed as they

usually are, by a soldier when he is

not in barracks or on duty, are tried

as a rule by the civil courts, especial-

ly when the offence affects the person

or property of a civillan. The decision

as, to whether an soldier, shall be

brought before a civil court rests

ordinarily with the Chief Officer of Police and the Military authorities

are; expressly; forbidden, to make re-

presentations to the civil court with a view to the alleged offender being

"The practice oversens is sub-

stantially the same, but it must be

stationed in places where there are

DREAD DISEASE

ness of horses-is willespread in

interior British Columbia, reaching

Dr W. R. Gunn; livestock commis-

dealt with by a Service tribunal

available to try such offence.

"In this country instructions have

try it within a hundred miles.

of appeal.

criminal offences, namely, treason, murder, manslaughter, treason-felony, or rape, if committed by a soldier. court, if there is one competent to

realised that troops are sometimes no civil courts under British judges main body of the hall.

When the Council is settled in and

Outside, meanwhile, preparations

1702 and though they are officially part of the Corps of the Suffolk

and West Creston.

Regiment they like to emphasise that they are really independent and one of the oldest Territorial regiments. There were two battallons of them when World War II-broke out and they both went to Singapore where they were the last to cease fire. Then for three and a half years they were in the bag, working on the notorious Slam Railway. Only half of them came home. Today the regiment is "in auspended animation," waiting for the Territorial Army to take its new shape. The defenders lost three tricks, rather absurd in view of the four-With the regiment having no worth 800 points, in to-day's deal trick detent that could have been inofficial activities to keep its debecause West had a fixation about flicted on either two clubs or two mobilised men together and with diamonds. The point was that East those still mobilised scattered among sensed the situation and acled acother units, it was not easy for the

The Cambridgeshires are Terri-

torials with a history that starts in

Cambridgeshires to put up a big West led the heart-king, but when show. But somehow Cambridge-East played the deuce, West shifted shires, some in, some out of uniform, properly to a diamond. Dummy turned up in strength. They were ducking, East won with the queen neaded by a line of past commanders and returned a heart, asking for un- of the regiment that went plmost other frump lead through the acc. unbroken back to the day in, 1008 West obliged, and when dummy when the Cambridgeshires ceased to ugain played low, East took his king be Volunteers and became Terriand knocked out the dlamond acc. corials. Among them was a veteran As may be seen, the declarer was of nearly 00 who were his

now in a highly unenviable position | Lieutenant-Colonel's insignia on his -not that all standing and been any liceves; another was the Brigadierbetter at the very start! For want General who commanded the of a better play he led the club Cambridgeshires in their famous king from dummy-and West took assault on the Schwaben Redoubt in World War I. Now, convinced that East had the spade ace but unwilling to play him TP on the tower of Great St.

U. Mary's, overlooking the Guildand eight of hearts. South gratefulhall, flow the flag the Cambridgely ruffed and cushed four club tricks, thires carried in battle at Singapore going down only onel.
West insisted that East was markand kept concealed by a hundred levices from their Jap captors for North's two-club overcall, and ed with four clubs for his double, three and a half years.

about equally atroclous. East's double ton. It would have been far wiser, of the two clubs was bold, consider— however, to let South win one club ing his lack of a trump trick, but trick, to be sure that dummy could that the parade lacked the precision of this action would be never be put in again!

For the nuncreus of Combridge tok, who lined the square, this was family affair. It did not matter that the parade lacked the precision of this action would be never be put in again! For the hundreds of Combridge were mixed with side-huts and beaked caps, that there were no geometrical rows of bayonsts-for these were their own men who had fought gallantly and suffered gallantly. It was the men they were honouring and the men who were their pride. This was no mere militaristic display.

And as they marched past to the drums and bugles of the endets-the. serving Cambridgeshires a little raggedly, for they had no chance to rehearse; the older veterans stiffly, some on crutches, some trying to swing artificial arms; the cadeta with the springiness of youth as they marched past a young DAPM who had brought along. Military Policemen for the ceremony, suddenly said in a loud voice: "I'm a Combridgeshire, too. I was with

By Ernie Bushmiller OKAY --- GC AHEAD

South's rescue of that bld, were which meant that South had a single-

According To Culbertson

cordingly.

the trickt : --

for the jack as well, West led the ace

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Five Years Needed To Raise Sunken Japanese Ships

Hiroshima, Nov. 16. Maritime Japanese Burenu reported to-day that: salvage operations have begun on warships and other vessels sunk in the Japanese inland sen but estimated it will take five years to complete the raising of the sunken ships in

the area. announcement said 126 warships, 52 merchantmen, 170 motor nuxillary vessels and 162 smaller eraft are submerged in the vicinity of Kure between Southern Hondhu and Shikoku around the in-

The figure includes Japanese worships sank by aerial attacks before engaging in naval action. In the Shimonoseki area facing the Korean Straits 1,287 ships are the bottom representing a total of

640,47**8** , 10mm The salvage operations on the lying between Honshu and Kyushu are reported to be progressing favourably.-United Press.

COCOA SMUGGLING

British Customs On Lookout For Illicit Traffickers

London, Nov. 17. Police and customs officers on the British South coast, are to-day on the lookout for smugglers taking cocoa--unrationed throughout the war-to the Continent where it is finding ready buyers in the Black Market. France and Norway are the chief countries where cocon is being sold and returning stravellers sny that France it can easily be exchanged for brandy or wristlet watches and even expensive periumes.

Although a cocon is unrationed Brittin at is now in very short supply and the latest figures show that British West Africa, where destroy the Russian armies. more than 50 per cent of the world's cocoa beans are grown, is 50,000 tons down this year,-Reuter.

Taloci, Nov. 17. The sugar industry of Talwan province (Formosa) which is China's big- population. gest sugar producing centre, is heading for a considerable boom as a result of the formation of the Chinese-American Sugar Industry Research Group for improving the quality of the island's sugar cone.

The establishment of the Research Group, suggested by the United States Agriculture Department, was recently approved by the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry. The Group consists of three American and one Chinese experts in the sugar industrial field.

Mr I. W. Brandes, of the U.S. Agriculture Department, who arrived in Shanghai on November 11, heads the Group. The other two American members are expected to arrive here from Hawali shortly-Central News

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THE RETURN

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THE GRAVEYARD OF HITLER'S

AMBITIONS

(By Peter Lovegrove)

THE conception is growing, as the details of World War II begin to fade out of clear memory, that the great achievements of the Red Army were due largely to overwhelming superiority in numbers and to the fact that they were able to withstand the very. hard weather conditions of their homeland better than the Germans.

Facile generalisations are never more than half-truths. One of the best examples of the fallacy of the above theory is undoubtedly the defence and relief of Stalingrad, liberated by the great offensive the fourth anniversary of which we celebrated to-day.

This great Russian victory, the Don to allow the deployment of which will find a place in history and was in fact only the prelude to more astonishing successes, was not due to either of these

On the contrary, it was won against attacks of unprecedented weight and ferocity; won through superintive courage, highly efficient planning, a high degree of secrecy in preparation and persect uning.

Though very different in execution, it had many points in common with the battle of El Alamein, which preceded it by a bare month. It occurred at the extreme limit of the enemy's advance; it tollowed a similar period of disaster and stubborn lastditch stone-walling; the enemy was also taken 'completely by surprise; and its results marked the turning point in the fortunes of the Red Army. As in Africa, the Germans never recovered from their staggering reverse between the Don and Volga rivers.

The German Advance

political ideas. Instead of attacking technical colleges. all along the front, they launched a very highly concentrated attack along 120 to 140 miles of front in the South machines, lorries and motor cars the fighting men and the working the world, turned out 60,000 yehicles

capture of the Don basin triangle Rosof which is about 250 miles as the complished, they proposed to make Volga with the Don, and thereby the crow lies. Unce this had been acdestructive drives by strong modite Black Sea, was under construction. columns in two carections: left to assugamse the Russian militaryeconomic system by cutting an communications between Moscow, the Voiga (2,450 miles waterway vital for the transport of oil supplies to other-sectors of the huge front), and me Urais, to which many or the factories of central and southern Russia and been moved; and right, inrough Northern Laucasus and rich maricultural plains to the ollielus near the Caspian Sea. According to Hitter's time-table, the Wenrmacht would be in Standingrad by the midule of July, and the subsequent arives were to be completed by the beginning of September.

The Great Adventure

THE great adventure opened on L june 28. The number olow was delivered by three aimies (the 2nd, but and 17.n) each supported nighty moone tank "aimes" (the 1s., 2nd, and 4th), representing some 40 German intaility divisions, 20 Rumanian, hungarian and munan formations, 18 Panzer divisions and eight motorised divisions. None of trese formations was up to 1941 screngen in manpower, put by increusing the number of automatic weapons and the quality of the armour, it was considered that hie power at least had been kept up. Into tormiubole force was backed up by 2,000 pinnes and Richtoren's 8th tashe struggle. Every Air Assault Corps to act as "advancea" artiflery for the spearhead tinks, light and heavy artiflery,

quick results were obtained in dry and open country which invoured parrels lowered until parallel with Luises messes, and by July 7, the me ground, tackled Panzers at 500 ... no really entered veroneed neie, pards' range. Once, the Germans and achieved a real break-through and against strong resistance which they they he workers scrambled into the in maged to occupy part of the town anks which they had been repairou, were quite unable to form a ing and drove them out to engage bridgehead of sufficient size across me enemy, holding the break until

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A VERY EXCITING-THRILLING.MYSTERY PICTURE!

Further south the Russians, acting unwise to try and hold everywhere, evacuated the Rostov area, rica in coal mines and wheatfields on July 27 (more precipitately actually than had been intended, a fact which cost Voroshilov his command), and retired fighting stubbornly all the way to Stalingrad. Once again, they were putting into practice one of the immutable of Russian warfare; fighting with ground, as Peter the Great had done in 1708 upplies the Swedes, Kutusov agmust Napoleon in

A Model City

CO determined were our Allies' reartime-table, and it was only on August casus, however, went much more smoothly at first.

resemblance to the wooden-hutted of movement and perfect timing. township of less than 60,000 people was the second year of war in of Czarist days. It, was born in the Soviet Union. During the first | 1927 under the first Five-Year Plan summer the Germans had achieved and covered a long, narrow area huge territorial gains—they had along the western bank of the Volga isotated Leningrad, got to within a of close on 40 miles. Its model few miles of Moesow, taken Kharkov, workers' flats and community one of the chief cities of the Ukraine, centres, modern factories, theatres over-run the Crimen-but failed to and museums, broad treelined streets and fine open square and parks, were In 1942, they changed their tactics. the pride of the Russians. It had Hitler's strategy was influenced by no less than five universities and 21

Its part in the industrial scheme was to produce, agricultural which though it would not desiroy the and before the war its Red October main Russian armies, was intended to works and Tractor, plant, alleged to bring about the 'moral compse" of be the largest project of its kind in a year. Its oil refineries and saw-Their primary objective was the mills were no less important; 30 million tons of goods passed along tov-Voronezh-Sumngiau, euch aug its broad waterway every year; while vast irrigation plans were being put into effect, and a canal to link the

Last-Ditch Stand

took the Germans another ten I days to fight their way past the strong points in the suburbs while 1,000 planes carried out ferocious attacks on the city and the gun batteries on the cast bank of the A men, containing some of the best river, transforming the work of units in the Wehrmacht, was hastily trenty. fifteen years into heaps of ruins and assembled and thrown into battle in ruppie. A particularly vicious raid mid-December. After a violent on August 23 was accompanied by battle lasting two days, its drive was the dropping of leaslets, announcing broken, leaving the stalingrad Gerthat the Wehrmacht would ake over mans firmly encircled and doomed. the city within 48 hours. ramseli promised publicly "Stalingrad will foll," a refrain the German southern front was rupwhich the German population was to tured before the end of the year. hear frequently in the weeks that tollowed.

of attrition and savage sare: fighting, forces. and could only progress yard by yard, street by street, house by heap of ruins concealed a machine from epidemics. But the Cormans and one decided a machine from epidemics. But the Cormans and an accordance to the cormans are one and accordance to the cormans are one accor gun or a susper; even bomb craters from epidemics. But the Germans 250,000 men. in roadways were used in this tanweapon was used-dive bombers, mortars, grenndes and neavy canone small arms, 152-mm guis, their gained a footing in the factory area; Red Army reinforcements were brought up a few hours later. The quality of the fighting was reflected in such official communiques as this: "Red Army men have occupied flats Nos. 5, 14 and 128 in the apartment liouse at No. 27 Orghonikiaze Street. The Germans sull hold two flats on the ground floor and one on the third."

Total Resistance

A ND resistance was total. Every A factory that was still standing went on turning out and repairing tanks and guns; many inhabitants, who refused to leave the city, went to ground in caves built in the cliff-like sides of the river, and played their part in the general de-

The Germans reinforced in September, tried hard to snatch a victory; in the first fertilight of October with flerce assaults; each brought them a few more yards of rulns, but they suffered exceptionally heavy losses, and with their troops morally and physically exhausted, German G.H.Q. eventually announced that they had obtained their "strategie object," and that the rost of the city would be laid waste

grandiose objects they had set themselves had nowhere been achieved: they were pegged down in Volonezh and Stalingrad, which they had intended using as starding-points for fresh drives, and even their Cau-casus drive had been halted 100 miles from the Caspian Sen,

The Germans intended to use the coming winter for rest and reorgammation. For reasons of prestige, Hitler would , not witharaw his elongated salient to a shorter and less exposed winter position. No doubt his military navisers found reasons to feel secure; they had a large army in- and around the Red Verdum; the Russians had taken 'a hard knock and were pressed back to the banks of the Volga, and even before the river froze traffic across it would be difficult owing to floating blocks of ice. Troops guarding nual convention of the National Hairthe flanks were mustly satellite formations, of dublous quality, but for several weeks Russian counterattacks had been going on fruitlessly on the sides of the salient, and all had been contained.

Light Counter-Attacks

on the principle that it would be MHE lightness of these counter- plications," he said. I attacks were no doubt intended. He said a study of deformed pernower of Nuzi youth was using in of the time. me charred and battered cay, precounter-plow had been soing in because it is hardly ever used," he unooserved. Inc Russian High said. Command did not allow Statingtau's protonged agony to interiore with arm longer than the other and tilted ans plan, and all the time reserves heads and shoulders." were being concentrated under cover of unrkness and in kreat secrecy to me north and soum of me German salient.

The Russian plan was simple: on that side and the unused part guard actions that the Germans firstly, two samulaneous outhank- is under-developed. were well behind on their original ing movements aiming to encuclo the enemy in the city, and cut u.o muscles on the unused side, as well 9 that they reached the outskirts of two ranways on which it depended as muscles the fall length of the Stalingrad. Their drive to the Cau- for supplies; secondly, prevent - the body," he explained. attemps the Germans would make Stallagrad, third largest industrial first required months of preparations, pling effects during old age." city in the Soviet Union, - bore no precise sutt work, complete sucrecy

Success at Alamein and the land- on one side, preventing the other runeun, and reinforcements desined bed. aiverted to the south of trance and players also deform themselves, be-Italy to meet a possible threat there. cause they use one side of their four years ago-to-nay. As Alamein hardly at all. in the Rumanian lines on the left! they develop through ignorance and flank. The Russians poured across habit can have serious results." the Don bend and amazed the world by advancing over 40 miles against strong opposition in 48 nours. The right flank achieved similarly spectacular results: both railways were cut on the third day; contact was made with the Red troops defending what was left of Sulingrad by the fifth day; and the two armies had linked up before the end of the month. The tables had been tarned with a lightening stroke, and the Germans suddenly found themselves from besiegers to besieged. communications maintained

Germans Doomed

precariously by transport planes.

A RELIEF force numbering 150,000 Hitler Everywhere, satellite troops were bethat ling broken up, and the whole of In less than six weeks, the enemy lost more than 300,000 men. over 2,000 tanks, 4,000 guns and about However, the invaders found 10,000 forries. 40 enemy divisions themselves up against the most fana- (six of the Panzers) had been comtical resistance of the whole war, pletely routed; remnants of another Our Allies were determined to pre- 20 were besieged in Stalingrad, and vent the Germans from getting 20 to 25 more ran the risk of be- fought on stubbornly if hopelessly,

Why Most People Have Winor Deformities

Seventy per cent of the people in the United States are deformed because they don't eat or sleep properly according to Dr Nathan D. Mininberg.

He said the other 30 per cent were normal or had deformities over which they had no control, a United Press message states.

Dr Mininberg, a manufacturer of equipment to correct acquired deformities, recently addressed the an-His idea of a deformed person is

anyone whose body is out of line because of clongated or underdeveloped arms or legs, tilted or stooped shoulders or enlarged jaws. "They may not seem like much, but actually they can cause serious com-

to luit the Germans into a raise sons had revealed that most people sense of security. For while the use only one side of their bodies most "They think the other side is there parations for a mighty Russian just for balance or decoration, I guess,

> "As a result they have one leg or Dr Mininberg said persons who chew with only one side of their jaws usually end up with the arm and leg on that side longer than on the other. Their faces are fuller

"It affects the sight and hearing

"It interferes with circulation and to break the ring from outside. The digestion and is likely to have crip-The same thing goes for sleeping,

ings in North Atrica assisted our side from developing, he explained, ailes in two respects: many Lute while others get stoon-shouldered watte squaarons ici; for the medicir- from doubling-up their bodies in to relieve the tired troops were Golfers, curpenters and violin

The Russian plow was struck bodies too much and the other side aid, it took the enemy completely by "People must train themselves to surprise, and on the first day of the vary their movements," Dr Mininfighting a 20-mile gap was opened bern advised. "The deformities

ITALIAN SHIPS

New York, Nov. 16. The U.S. Government to-day formally turned over to the Italian Government the luxury liner Vulcanja which Italy surrendered to the United States under the armistice

Her sister ship, the Saturnia, now in Brooklyn Yard, will be handed back next week. Both the ships, used throughout the war as troop transports, will now resume the passonger service between New York and the Mediterranean pending the ships' final-attribution by the peace

With the recovery of the two liners Italy now has 600,000 tons compared with 350,000 tons prewar.-United Press.

POLISH ELECTIONS

Nanking, Nov. 10. Poland will hold a general election on January 19, next year, it was learned from diplomatic circles here last night.—Central News.

across the Volga, and they recused ing isolated south of Rostov. This broken into small groups and to yield more than one step at a represented three quarters of the pounded mercilessly, until the final time. The Germans found them- salellite forces operating in Russia curtain was drawn on February 2, serves committee to a nightmare war and a quarter of the German land 1943, with Field Morshal von Paulus surrendering together with 23 other In the New Year, the Russians generals, 2,500 officers and a few proceeded to liquidate the Stallagrad thousand men-all that remained house, even flat by flat. Every fac- proceeded to inquiting were of a German Army group which had tory, became a strongpoint, every gunning short of food and suffered numbered between 200,000 and

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



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IMMUNOLOGY PROFESSOR ON EUROPEAN TOUR

Cleveland, Nov. 16. Dr E. C. Ecker, professor of im-

bacteriology at three or more European universities. Dr Ecker will lecture at the University of Madrid, University of Ghent, Belgium, and at one or possibly two universities in the Netherlands. Born in Holland, Dr. Ecker ro-

ceived his early education there, but University, has left for Europe to trainments of Chicago and in Switze

NEWS

Aircraft Catrier! Indomitable, L. Cruiser: Euryalus, 5. Destroyer: Fenn, AFD; Cossack, Aber-deen Dry Dock; Constance, North Wall; Contest, 11; Cockade, on Illshopdole, 10 Escort Vestel: Oppossum, North Wan; Hart, B; Widemouth Bay, On War Sudra at North Arm; Black Swan 7. · Submarine Depot Ship: Adamant, Dry

Bubmarine: Amphilon, Astute, Auriga, TU 70.Z.6: Neches (AO 47), A4; YP 348, on Neches; Brush (DD745), A5; Chinese Frigate; Fu Po, on Constance at North Wall; Teh Haing, Cosmo Dock.

Administered by Commodore-la Commission Pepet Ship: Tambr (affeat), West Arra.
VSIS: Fort Beauharnois, 17.
Store Ship: Fort Rosalie, Oll Fuel
Jetty; Fort Sandusky, Alb. Asis: rort Langley, B.27.
Seired by Admiralty Marshal: Empire Witham, Cosmo Dock.
Oliers: Celerol, Yaumati; Empire Gar-

den, M5; War Budra, North Arm; Bir-chol, on Furt Rosalle; Rapidol, on Tamar, Bishopdale, 18; Empire Damsel, Yaumati; Wave Regent, alongside Empire Cardel Salvage Vessel: King Salvar, East Wall Tidal Basin, Lifting Craft: 25, 28, Blackle's; 80, Wellington Wall. Crane Ship: Sheishu Maru, Mackies. Rescue Tugal Encore, East Wall:

Enticer, East Arm. LCL (L): 12, East Arm. Camber: 1105, Aberdeen: 1108, Kowloon Camber: 1105, Tidal Basin: 1107, Macao. Tug: Rockpidgeon, Rockglen, Rockland,

MSL (NABO): 41, Tidal Basin. Ships in Maintenance and Reserve LCI (L): 210, 11, 123, 103, 172, Kowloon LCT: 1151, 913, 1150, 1100, 1195, 1241,

NRC: 110, Aberdeen: 109, Wellington HMDL: 1000, 4002, 1020, 1150, Kowloon Camber. Tug: Rockforest, Rockwing, Rock-mount, Kowloon Camber, Outside Wall, Merchant Ships Antonia Cosmo Dock.

Callex II, Trun Wan. Cerion, Talkoktaul. Chungking Kowloon Bay, Edna, Kowloon Dock Eastern Trader, 110. Empire Witham, Taikoktsui Foochow, B2. Erica Moller, Kowloon Bay. Fragum, worth Point Wharf. Glaucus, All. Glenapp, Holt's wharf. Glonaliae, Laikoo Dock. Hai lisia, Kuwloon Dock. Hai Tan, off Yaumati. Hermelin, B11. Hunan, Paikon Dock, Kwelyang, Talkoo Dock. Mayon, Kowloon Wharf. Norcis, All. Pakhui, Taikoo Dock. Paula, Talkoo Dock. Period, Yaumau, Ping Wo, Custodian Wharf. Poyang, B3. Shantung, Talkoo Dock Shengking, Talkoo Dock. Bliver Gunva, Kowloon Dock. Stanhall Kowloon Bay. Szechuen, Taikoo Dock. Tak Sang, BJ. Tiltjalengka, Ai. Tainan, 1112.

Wusurh Triking Dock. Yen Kal, Stonecutters, Arrived Yesterday Glenapp (Jardine), British, from Europe, Straits, General cargo. Wing Sang (Jardine), British, 1,953 tons Capt B. Schofield, from Shanghai, General Mayon (Jardine), Philippine, from Manila, General cargo. Hermelin (Thoreseh), Norwegian, 904

Cyphoon, a.S. Po.

Walnut Bend, off Talkoo.

Wuchang, faikus Dock.

Wing Sang, Custodian Wharf.

tons, Capt Alf. Mehlum, from Bangkok, General cargo. nalled Yesterday Denbighshire, for Shanghai, General cargo 900 tons. Mount Rogers, for Manila, Straits, Europe, USA, General cargo 740 tons. Asia, for Shanghai, General cargo 2 Mongolia, for Manila, Europe, General eargo 537 lons.

Wave Baron. USS Taussig. arriving To-day

Maiwara (Tak Cheong), from Manila. Fenglien (B & S), from Singapore, HMS Amphion and Astute, from exer Sailing To-day

Poyang (B & S), for Saigon, Bangkok, -Trinan - (B - &= S), - for - Swatow, - 4 - p.m., Yen Tal (CMSN), for Tsamkong, CMSN Wharf. Fort Rosalle, to Singapore,

OUTWARD MAILS

Postage, by sea mail only, for Christmas Cards in open covers, bearing not more than five written words is five cents. Registered and parcol mail closes half an hour before ordinary letters. Air mails close at Kowloon PO half an hour carlier than at GPO.

Monday, November 18 Singapore, Colombo, Rangoon, Calcutta Johannesburg, Cairo, London Sydney, Auckland (Air) 2 p.m. Saigon, Bangkok (Poyang) 2 p.m. Swatow (Tainan) 2 p.m. Amoy, Shanghai (Foochow) 3 p.m.

Canton, Amoy, Foothow, Shanghal (CNAC) 330 p.m. Kongmoon (Fook Hoi) 4 p.m. Macao, Tsinshan, Shekki (Kwong Sai)

Canton (Train) 4 p.m. Tuesday, November 19 Canada yia Vancouver (Silver Guava)

Straits, Ceylon, India, E and S Africa, Europe via Liverpool (Glaucus) 10 a.m. Bwatow, Eangkok (Hermelin) noon. Biraits (Taksang) noon. USA, C and S America via San Franelseo (Joplin Victory) 3 p.m.

Tsamkong (Tolshan) 4 p.m. Canton, Chungking, Kunming (CATC) 3.30 p.m. Macao, Tainshan, Shekki (Kwong Sai) Canton (Sai On) 4 p.m. Wednesday, November 20

Canton, Shanghai (CNAC) 10 n.m. Formora (Empire Labrador) 10 a.m. Manila (Mayon) 10 a.m. Macao, Tsinshan, Shekki (Kwong Fook Cheung) 11 a.m. Salgon, Bangkok, Singapore, Colombo, Calcutta, Delhi, London (air) 2 p.m.

CHINESE NURSES IN U.S.

. New York, Nov. 10. Five Chinese nurses who have been studying in New York City's hospitals and public health services have completed their work and today called on Health Commissioner Dr Israel Weistin and thanked him for the opportunity accorded them. The nurses, whose trip was ar- of Russia in the Middle East and to another which was due to take ranged by UNRRA, were Dorothy said: "If the Soviet Union will not off to-day. Dih, Josephine Kung Virginia Lu participate the West should not (all of Nanking), Priscilla Wu

Cairo, Nov. 17. Premier Sidicy Pasha to-day denied press reports that a majority of the Egyptian treaty delegation voted

(Hankow) and Judy Chu (Pelping).

-United Press.

against the deaft of the Anglo-Egyptian trenty. Sidley said in a communique that to the rank of cardinal. discussion of the draft treaty proposals was still under way and had not yet teached the voting stage. United Press.

Trial For Mass Execution Of Italians

Rome. Nov. 17. German Col-Gen Eberhard von Mackensen and Lt-Gen Kurt MacItzer will be tried here tomorrow by a British War Crimes Tribunal for the massacre of more than 335 Romans in March. 1944, as a reprisal for a bombthrowing incident in which 32 German soldiers were killed in the capital during the German occupation.

 The massacre—symbolic to Italineet of Nazi brutality and the most serious Italian war crime agillust Germans-was carried out in the Ardentine caves between Rome and Anzlo. The victims were more than 300 Roman men, women and chil-MPV: 31, 181, 203, 204, 205, 242, 244, 300 Roman men, women and chil-245, 761, 702, 700, 1071, 1101, 1127, Kow- dren, most of whom the German SS rounded up in the vicinity of the homb incident, held briefly as hostages and then took them to caves outside Rome for mass executions

After the liberation of Rome the ternal thrower of the bomb dossed lats the vindow of the German he signariers was identified as an Italian partisan who was said to be still Lyry in the capital Laday. The hostages were shot after he falled to surrender himself.

Von Mackensen was sector commanact of all German troops and Maeltzer was Nazi commandant of Rome at the time of the massacre. The trial officers will be Maj-Gen I. S. O. Playfair, presiding judge, and Col R. C. Halse, of the British Judge-advocate general's department Two German Army officers as well na several British will serve as defence counsel.

Lt-Col Herbert Kappler, commander of the SS battalion which actually carried out the massacro is scheduled for trial at a later date. -United Press.

UNESCO CONFERENCE

Nations' Delegates To Attend Opening To-morrow

ELIMINATION OF

Paris, Nov. 18. Britain is sending the largest delegation to the first General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) opening here

on Tuesday next. Thirty-nine of the 200 delegates, alternate delegates, non-official experts and advisers from 25 nations so far, listed to attend are from the United Kingdom.

In the British delegation, which is shortly leaving for Paris, will be Miss Ellen Wilkinson, the Minister of Education, Sir John P. R. Mand, Secretary to the Education Ministry, and Mr.J.-B. Priestley, the famous

This will be the first major international conference having for the war and the promotion of fraternal co-operation among peoples and governments by planned dissemina-

tion of knowledge. UNESCO wants to start a worldwide campaign to "liquidate" illicultural and scientific knowledge.

Though as an international "brains | trust" the conference is not expect- than six months ago by someone ed to produce any sharp political who realised that the hundreds of clashes, there are likely to be lively dependents due to arrive would be arguments over the methods and de- without an idea of finding their finition of certain aspects. The con- way around. To-day there are more ference will be largely concerned signs route markers and direction with giving UNESCO a permanent aids in Tokyo and Yokohama than form. A director-general is to be ever in Japanese history-United appointed for a six-year period and Press. an executive board director-general is to be appointed with powers to employ a permanent staff and handle the hudget.

Although no indication is available as to who is to be appointed director-general, the names mentioned include Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt, Dr Julian Huxley, Mr Francis Biddle, the former United States Attorney-General, and Mr Archibald MacLeigh, the former US Assistant Secretary of State.—Reuter.

BIG FOUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE MIDDLE EAST MOOTED

Washington, Nov. 17. economic development of the Middle sults and final tests will be made East, to be undertaken with the cooperation of the Arab countries, was recommended in a statement issued here to-day by the Foreign Policy. Association, an unofficial United States organisation,

The statement referred to what it the first jet-propelled airliner to described as the growing influence carry passengers from one country hesitate to act alone."-Reuter.

Vatican City, Nov. 17. Vatican circles to-day categorially denied Moscow Radio reports that the Pope would hold special Chiristmas consistory in which Archbishop Aloysius Steplinac, the Primate of Yugo-Slavia, now serving a zentence of 16 years for alleged crimes

It was pointed out that if such a man who caught them in the act make more amble a total area of it would have been announced a move the wreaths laid on the temb area and increasing pasture lands.week ago .- Reuter.

Germans To Stand SHANGHAI BLOOD PLASMA CASE

Shanghal, Nov. 17. The United Press learned authoritatively today that the U.S. Consul-General Mr Monnet Davis, has requested the local authorities to intervene on behalf of the American efforts to recover from the Shanghai market tens of thousands units of American Red Cross blood

Mr Davis acted immediately on a request from the Foreign Liquidation Commission which has not yet been able to arrange to buy back the plasma from Chinese reprehants. The request for aid was ande to Shanghai's Mayor, Mr. K. C. Wu, who promised full co-operation.

It was estimated that 25 or more

tons of the total 300 tons of plasma were located in two warehouses in the centre of Shanghal but that the remainder was understood to have been widely scattered in many godowns and drugstores throughout China in the five months since the plasma was delivered to Shanghai.

The plasma was included among naval medical supplies sold in Okinawa by the FLC and delivered to Shanghai last June. They were cleared by customs at that time and authoritative quarters said it unquestionably was known then that plasma was included since each case was stamped with the large letters, "human blood plasma."

United Press learned that the then Field Commissioner of the Shanghai office of FLC, Gen B. A. Johnson (retired), wrote a letter to the Shanghai Evening Post last June 7. objecting to the Time Magazine story about the Okinawa medicines sale. Over the general's signature, the letter said:

"The supplies were shipped from Okinawa to a customer of a reputable Shanghai business firm and are now in the process of going through the customs. They are not, not (repetition, is general's own) being held for the black market, the purchaser having agreed with the FLC on the manner in which it will be distributed to the China market and the average markup at which it will be sold."

It is conservatively estimated that the price at which blood plasma is selling in the Shanghai market--US\$25 per unit-represents a markup of at least 5,000 per cent .-- United

U.S. RE-MARKING OF TOKYO STREETS STILL CONFUSING

Tokyo, Nov 17. This city's unmarked and unnamed streets which have long added much to the mystery of the Far East have been finally numbered by United States army engineers—but they remain as mysterious as ever. Under the new system, Gen Mac-Arthur's headquarters is on Avenue

A. The Emperor lives on Avenue B and the first street. grounds as the hub and extending in a sort of spider web pattern, important avenues leading away from the centre of Tokyo have been lettered clockwise. Loops connecting the avenues are numbered

from the centre offward. In this way a serviceman or a civilian lost in a maze of rubblestrewn streets may glance up to avowed object the elimination of find himself in H Avenue, 30th Street. But he is still lost.

Japanese residents in Tokyo rarely know the street addressed to do women's work, what with outside their own neighbourhood, women stepping into so many "male relying on memory or the local occupations" these days. gendarme when they stray to an teracy, to raise the educational and adjacent "ku." As regards the new cultural standards and organise un- directional aids, they are just restricted international exchange of another in the jumble of signs put up since the occupation.

The plan was conceived more

JET-PROPELLER PLANE MAKES TRIAL FLIGHT

Paris, Nov. 17. Complete secrecy surrounded the trial flight of France's new jetpropelled plane Le Duc 10 at Blagnac airport, Toulouse, No journalists were allowed or the airfield which was ringed with policemen.

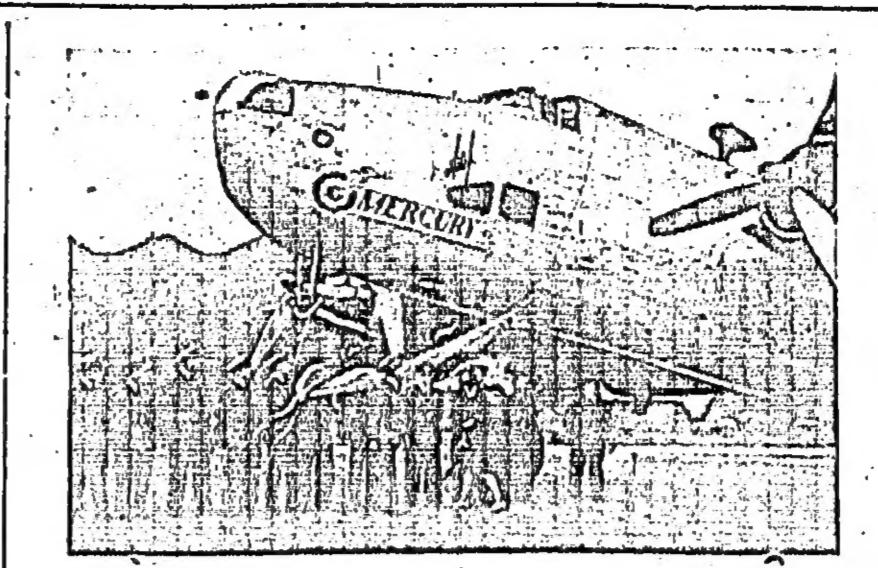
· A report issued to-day says the plane was launched in mid-air from a parent aircraft, Languedoc 161 carrying ballast in the tail-end. Other trials were made with no ballast in the carrier plane, Engineers who witnessed the A Big Four programme of flights were satisfied with the renext January, the report added. · Passenger Filght

> London, Nov. 17. Bad weather forced the cancellation of the London Paris flight of

No time has been established for the departure of the Nene Lancaster. -United Press.

REMOVED WREATHS

Three young Frenchmen who were | changing the face of Soviet central found removing wreaths from the Paris early to-day told the police- will improve the irrigation of or by "Anti-French parties."-Reuter. Router.



A scheme to link the Empire by radio is now in operation between Britain and her Empire, and the Hallfax VI "Mercury", fitted as a Radio Flying Classroom, recently left England to visit Palestine, Iraq, India, Burma, Singapore, Australia and New Zenland. Air Commodore Fagan R.A.F. leads the mission.

"STORY-BOOK" MOUNTIE RETIRING FRENCH COMMUNISTS

A another from Robert Service, season them with a dash of pulp-magazine fiction, and you'll many signs, so far, that this time the party, led by M. Maurice Thorez have the career of Assistant--means business. Commissioner T. V. Sandys-Wunsch of the Police, a story-

TAKE a chapter from Kipling,

with the Belgian Cavalry

port as supervisor of the RCMP's

Fought With Belgians

RCMP as a trumpeter in 1911

Yukon and the Eastern Arctic. One

of his assignments took him to the

Liard river district of Northern B.C.,

where he and two constables tra-

velled 75 miles on foot to capture

Shot It Out

His coloured beadwork has won

several Dominion prizes. Asked if

this isn't "sissy stuff" for a he-man,

he says it should be all right for men

U.S. GENERAL RETIRING

FIRST GERMAN SHIP

The first ship with a German crew

to resume trade since the end of the

war left Bremen for Dublin to-day.

and Scandinavian ports before the

CZECH AIR SERVICE

The Czecho-Slovak Airlines to-

day announced the cancellation of

the Czech service to Stockholm,

Oslo, Copenhagen and Brussels

which, the United Press learned, was

an indirect result of the suspension

of the United States loan negotia-

THE KARAKUM CANAL

tions.—United Press.

Prague, Nov. 16.

Moscow, Nov. 10.

The ship is the s.s. Travemuende,

Berlin, Nov. 8.

five Indians suspected of murder.

mental flag.

pervice revolver.

be formally retired.

wife and 10-year-old son, John.

An . Interesting statement was made last Thursday by M. Thorez book hero if there ever was one. to Reuter on the Communist attitude towards Britain, Germany and gines He has ridden with the Camel Corps in the Middle East, fought loreign policy matters, and described in several political quarters here as very significant and is Finnders, holds a world's revolver seen as the act of a future Prime record, has been shot in the head by a crazy trapper, and makes his Minister seeking to calm possible apprehensions. own fishing flies out of polar bear !

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To-day's Communist proposal does Now, at 54, is retiring from his not exclude the possibility-even the probability—that the Communists Manitoba district. He plans a quiet will end up by taking part in a existence in Duncan, B.C., with his Government, including Popular Republicans.

The husky Englishman joined the In fact the most seasoned French political observers consider that this When war was declared in 1914, he is the only practicable solution. The bought his way out of the force and fight will be ramer us to watch or tried to enlist in the British army the two parties-Communists or So-The authorities baulked at his eyecialist Popular Republicans-is to sight, but the Belgians weren't so have premierable. particular, and he fought with them

all through the retreat from Ypres. The National Council of the Sh-He was wounded and decorated cialist Party this afternoon unonimwith the Yser Cross for capturing ously adopted a draft of the reply to seven Germans and saving the regithe Communist's letter, but so far there is no indication of what the In 1915, the British army decided reply contains, his eyesight wasn't so bad after all,

and made him a temporary captain . It is presumed, however, to be of In the Scots Guards. He served on a temporising character since the General Allenby's staff in the Middle National Council left for decison at a future meeting the question of whe-He rejoined the RCMP as a ther the Socialists should participate sergeant in 1919, and spent the next in the next Government,-serge. 27 years in all films provinces, the

EUROPA SAID UNSAFE

New York, Nov. 18. The United States Maritime Com-In 1937 he shot it out with an insane trapper in the Yukon, mission charged to-day that Ger-When one of the trapper's bullets | many's largest pre-war liner Europa, grazed his head, he was forced to which was surrendered to kranec, shoot back to kill. He didn't miss, is unsafe due to "major structural Accuracy with a revolver and rifle | deficiencies" despite her successful has won the assistant-commissioner pre-war service as one of the fastest a world-wide reputation. He was transattantic luxury liners, once an adjutant of the Canadian.

Bisley. He got 19 consecutive hits The vessel is now being rebuilt in a one-inch bulls-eye with a .45 at a French port for the North Atlantic service.

The Commission said serious cracks developed twice in the mid-section and will require heavy reinforcement and also cited the faulty wiring and too extensive use of wood instend of fire-resisting materials.-United Press.

CHINA'S WAR DEAD

Honolulu, Nov. 16. Roy S. Gelger, Nanking Nov. 17. who is retiring an commander of the Plans are now, being made for the Flect Marine Force in the Pacific, publication of a full detailed record has lelt for Washington and the of China's war dead. The Govern-Marine Headquarters where he will ment has assigned the Ministry of Defence to complete the volume In a final message, Geiger said it which will contain the names of all was a great error to repatriate military personnel killed in action or American war dead from the Paci- as a result of wounds and other infic islands where they would have direct causes, and those who died in wanted to remain.—United Press.

> Information for making the records as complete as possible will also be solicited from the families of the war dead .- Central News.

U.S. UNEMPLOYED

which used to ply between Lubeck Washington, Nov. 15. The number of usemployed war velerans has dropped below the one She is calling at Dublin in order to pick up a cargo of 2,000 cattle million mark for the first time durwhich was donated to the city of ling the week ending November 2, Berlin by the population of the Irish the Veterans Administration report- U.S. ed to-day.

> In the last eight months more than 1,000,000 veterans have been on the unemployment pay colls. An all-time peak was hit last January when 1,800,000 veterans applied for, unemployed compensation. At present only 980,000 are on jobless compensation payrolls, the Administration added .- Central News:

NAVAL VESSELS

New York, Nov. 16. The Under-Secretary of Navy, John L. Sullivan, announced to-day that new naval vestels are being built in conformity with the lessons Work will be started soon on one learned at Blkini and that the Govof the greatest of undertakings now vernment intends the conversion of Asia—the Karakum canal which is many existing ships, particularly in against the State, would be elevated tomb of the Unknown Warrior in to be over 416 miles long and which redesigning of hulls, to withstand President, disclosed that the death

the "alomic threat." -United Press.

WORLD'S RICHEST GOLD STRIKE

. Kalgoorlie, Nov. 17. Eleven men of the syndicate owning one of the world's gold mines to-day spread their beds around the vault room and protected their strike with a dozen padlocks as they awaited an accurate estimate of the yield which is expected to run to £245,000.

Crowbars were used to pry loose broad streaks of gold running through the stone.

The vault of the mine was part of the original gold room of the now derelict great Fingall Mine. The syndicate which owns the working mine also worked it extensively machine before the present strike, taking here, but some thousands of ounces,

First estimates said the new strike would yield 24,500 ounces of gold, -United Press.

TOOK BRIBE FROM **SMUGGLERS?**

Shanghai, Nov. 17. The Shanghai District Court today charged three Chinese' river policemen with taking a bribe of NC\$1,500,000 from smugglers who attempted to take goods off an American naval craft on September

The policemen were charged with corruption. It is believed that their arrest may provide a lend to the organised bands responsible for wholesale pilferage and smuggling in Shanghal's port .-- United Press.

U.S. Civil Servants To Be Drastically Reduced

Washington, Nov. 15. Republican representative, John Taber to-day advocated slashing 1,-000,000 Federal workers from the Payroll and cutting the national budget by U.S. \$9,000,000. Taber who is slated for Chairmanship of House Appropriations Committee told newsman that reduction of civil service employees could save the government U.S. \$3,000,000 without hampering its efficiency.

Taber also said the Committee would not further welcome foreign loans.-Central News.

Britain Seeking To End Bread Rationing?

Washington, Nov. 16. Britain is seeking to purchase in the United States sufficient wheat to enable her not only to avert the impending crisis in her colonial and other dependent areas but also to end bread rationing in the United Kingdom altogether, it was learned here to-day from most reliable authorities .- Reuter.

MANOEUVRES IN **MEDITERRANEAN**

Rome, Nov. 17. aircraft carrier Randolph, three cruisers and a destroyer squadron of eight were scheduled to clear from Naples today for intertype manoeuvres and routine manning exercises in the Mediterranean, the Fleet Office an-

nounced. The exercises will continue until late this month and units of the U.S. Mediterranean Fleet will then make a number of informal calls, including two points on the western coast of Turkey. Other units will call at Alexandria, Port Said, Crete and Jidda, in Saudi Arabia.-United

POST FOR DR JHENG LIU

Shanghal, Nov. 16. Dr. Jheng Liu, Chief Medical Officer of CNRRA and former Minister of Health has accepted the post of Medical Director of the American Bureau for Medical Aid to China. Dr Liu will not resign from CNRRA at present but will hold both posts concurrently.

The ABMAC will launch its postwar programme by 1947 which will be directed towards helping China to fulat and blustage a U. termerall band cation. Dr Liu will direct the development of this programme both here and in America Central News.

CONDEMNS FRANCO

Washington, Nov. 15. Dean Acheson, Under-Secretary of Military trains carry over 500,000 State, to-day reaffirmed United moral condemnation of Franco Spain but at the same time declared that the question of changing the present Madrid Government was up to the Spanish people TO-DAY'S "BROAD CASTING to decide for themselves. Mr Acheson also denied reports

that the United States plans to withdraw its Mission from Rumania because of alleged abuses in the present election campaign there.-Cenral News

Taipel, Nov. 17. The Talwan Medical Associationthe only one of its kind in Talwar -held its 39th general meeting here to-day at which Dr Tu Tsung-ming. rate in the province had dropped habitants -- Central News.

Electron Microscope To See The Atom

Science may be able to see the atom through the eyes of the electron microscope, thereby opening up new avenues of appronch to the use of atomic energy in industry and medicine, according to Dr James

Dr Hillier, who helped in the development of this super-miscroscope that does not use glass lenges, in working now on a new type electron machine at the RCA laboratories

The electron-microscope theoretically already can bring the atom into visible view, but the best results so far is magnification great enough to let the eyes see a molecule which

is composed of atoms. This new model is 100 times stronger than the best of the ordinary visible miscroscope, going up to magnification of 200,000 times, 11 looks simple to operate, but it is a complex instrument.

feet high and its principle briefly is to generate electric beams waten are shot through magnetic fields, serving as lenses, and crio the specimen being examined. The magnification shows on a

The miscroscopo stands about six

fluorescent screen, similar to that used in television. With a flip of switch, the screen can be removed and the magnified specimen photographed. The exposure is usually

four to five seconds. Biologists do not seem concerned that live tissue or cells may not be used in the electron miscroscope. They feel that the greater magnification for exceeds that disadvantage. The specimen must be pinced in a vacuum which naturally would dry it out and kill it. Even then if the specimen were not killed, the powerful electric beams would finish the job. In some cases, the electron peams have disturbed the make-up of molecules and many times have

separated specimens. The possibilities of the electron miscroscope both in industry and medicine are many, Hillier believes. It already has been used in detecting faulty metal and for the testing of paints and oils.

Some biologists think the electroft miscroscope may have a big part in the discovery of the cause of con-

SUPER-FORTS ARRIVE GERMANY

Frankfurt, Nov. 17. Two of six super-fortresses scheduled to visit Germany on a routine training mission landed at the Rhein

main airfield to-day. The second of the big radar-guided fortress to land had to make two trial passes at the strip before the control room officers thought it safe to bring her down because of the

The rest of the orginal group of six B-29s which left Iuchon, Tucson, Frizona, on Thursday morning, are zaited to arrive lomorrow and Tuesday, according to officers at the field. The flight from Morrison Field,

Florida, to Frankfurt-4,900 milestook exactly 22 hours. One plane was grounded in the Azores for a few hours due to bad weather conditions. The first plane carried a crew of 11 plus four maintenance men.-United Press.

FRANCO-SIAM TREATY **NEGOTIATIONS**

Washington, Nov. 17. 'A new source to-day confirmed the United Press report that the French-Slamese trealy negotiations are nearly ended and that a date for the signing is expected to be set shortly. The trenty may be signed next week.

be the final meeting is scheduled for Saturday. The same source also confirmed earlier United Press information regarding Siamese withdrawal from the provinces ceded them, by Japan as part of the intended agreement -United Press.

The source said what is hoped to

Tokyo, Nov. 17. An all-time high rail accidents, avolving Allied personnel in Japan -seven killed and 38 injured during October—was attributed by the U.S. authorities to carelessness, recklessness and wanton tempering with rail property as well as violations of the basis rules of safety. An cilcial survey from May through October showed a total of 25 denths, 109 injured and the loss.

Allied passengers per month.

United Press.

ZBW on 045 ke and from 12.30-1.15, 7.30-8.30, 9.16-11 11, also on 9.52 mc. 0.30. Donald Peers, Cavaller of cong; 0.43. Geraldo and His orchestra and Frances Landford; 7.15. Organ interlude; Reginald Dixon; 7.30, Studio: I Like What I Like—Bill Wright; D. London relay; news; 0.10, Stars Parade; Film-and stage favourites of to-day and yesterday: D. Something for Everybody: Music for all astes; 10, London Relay: :news: 10.05, Dance music; 10.30, London relay; Navy Mixture; 11, Close down.

Printed and published by Frederick. Sullivan predicted that planes will from 34 out of every 1,000 persons Percy Franklin for and on behalf of consistory had been contemplated, that they had merely wished to re- 865,000 neres, doubling the cotton not replace ships as a major sea to 19.8, and that the birth rate had South China Morning Post Limited transport "for generations to come." increased to 46.5-for every-1,000 in- at 1-3 Wyndham Bireet, City of Vietoring in the Colony of Hongkons.